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Claim 1 (cancelled)

- 2. (Amended) [A] The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 9 which is a cDNA.
- 3. (Amended) [A] The nucleic acid molecule according to claim 9 or claim 2, encoding at least a functional part of [the] a human equivalent of [the] said sequence [of claim 1].
- 4. (Amended) A recombinant vector comprising a nucleic acid molecule according to claim [1-3 together with] 9 operatively linked to suitable elements for regulation of at least one of replication [and/or] and expression of said nucleic acid molecule.
- 5. (Amended) A recombinant host cell comprising a <u>recombinant</u> vector <u>according to claim 4</u> [or a nucleic acid molecule according to anyone of the aforegoing claims].
- 6. (Amended) An isolated or recombinant proteinaceous substance comprising at least a biologically functional part of an amino acid sequence resulting from the translation of a nucleic acid molecule according to [any one of claims 1-3, the expression of a vector according to claim 4 and/or the culture of a cell according to claim 5] <u>claim 9</u>.
 - 7. (Amended) A method for the identification of [proteins] a protein having a binding affinity for p53 comprising the steps of:

[labelling a proteinaceous substance comprising at least the binding site of a p53 protein and] hybridizing [said] a labelled proteinaceous substance comprising at least the binding site of a p53 protein with [the] a protein to be tested; and

determining whether said protein has hybridized to said substance, whereby a protein having a binding affinity for p53 is identified.

8. (Amended) A method for the identification of <u>a</u> nucleic acid [molecules] <u>molecule</u> encoding [proteins] <u>a protein</u> having a binding affinity for a p53 protein comprising the steps of;

[expressing said nucleic acid in a suitable expression system, labelling a proteinaceous substance comprising at least the binding site of a p53 protein and] hybridizing [said] a labelled

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proteinaceous substance comprising at least the binding site of a p53 protein with [the] a protein encoded by a nucleic acid to be tested, wherein said protein is produced by expressing said nucleic acid in a suitable expression system; and

determining whether said protein has hybridized to said substance, whereby a nucleic acid molecule encoding a protein having a binding affinity for p53 is identified.

-9. (New) A recombinant or isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding at least a biologically functional part of a mammalian protein capable of binding to a p53 protein and comprising at least a part of the sequence

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1 GIGGCICITG CGAACICIGG GITTGAGAGG CCGGAACIGG TGCTGCCGTT
  51 GCTCGCAGIT TCAAAATGCA GTGCAGGCCT TAGGGTCTCC GGCTGCCACC
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--10. (New) A recombinant host cell comprising a nucleic acid molecule according to claim 9.

- 11. (New) An isolated or recombinant proteinaceous substance comprising at least a biologically functional part of an amino acid sequence resulting from the translation of an expression of a vector according to claim 4.
- 12. (New) An isolated or recombinant proteinaceous substance comprising at least a biologically functional part of an amino acid sequence resulting from growing a recombinant host cell according to claim 5.--.